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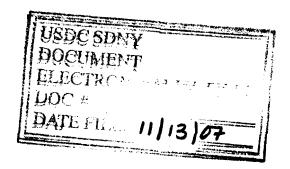
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## Dear Judge Berman:

William J. Kilberg and I have just been retained to represent defendant Callan Associates, Inc. in the recently filed above-referenced matter. The plaintiff has forwarded to us a notice from the Court scheduling an initial pre-trial conference for November 20, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.

Both Mr. Kilberg and I have previous commitments on that date. We respectfully request that the Court reschedule the initial pre-trial conference to another date convenient to the Court and counsel. In this regard, we have contacted counsel for the plaintiff as well as counsel for the other defendants, and neither have any objection to this request. Counsel for all the parties are available during the first two weeks of December, except for December 5th, 12th and 14th. If



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convenient for the Court, we request that the initial pre-trial be rescheduled during that period of counsel's availability.

Respectfully submitted,

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